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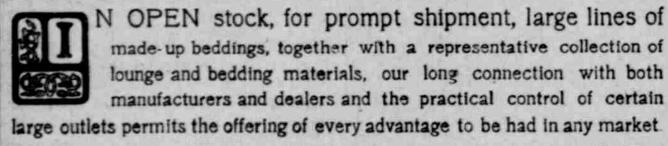
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A Child's Letters to Her Husband. That "the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts" is a saying known to be true by every one who recalls his own childhood, and all who are familiar with children know that they are given to reticence about much that passes in their minds, and that not the wisest may know of what a child is thinking. It occurred to the little Virginia of these "Letters" that when she grew to be a woman she should, of course, have a husband, and that, equally of course, that husband was at that moment a boy somewhere in the world. Being isolated in the country as a semi-invalid, with no youthful companions, she occupied a part of her leisure n writing to this unknown being. As Mrs. they are very childlike and natural. Indeed, the author is quoted as saying that "in a sense they are entirely veritable. Little Virginia did live and write letters to an imaginary husband, and there is scarcely an incident in the whole record that did not occur exactly as Virginia tells It seems, therefore, that Mrs. Moody has only edited them. There is much quaint humor in the book, with a touch of pathos, and an insight is afforded into a onely dreaming child's heart. The little book has an unusual quality, and is well worth the half hour's time it takes for the reading. Doubleday, Page & Co., New

Place and Power.

Ellen Thorneycroft Fowler, author "A Double Thread," "Concerning Isabel and other stories, has established a reputation for epigrammatic humor and brilliancy, which this book, "Place and Power," hardly sustains. There are often rather forced in sound, but humor is but little in evidence. A religious tone is noticeable in all her books, but in this religion is the leading theme. One of the prominent personages in the pages denied he truths of religion and set himself to the work of obtaining for himself "place and power" without regard to the possible will of Providence. He wins in part what he desires, but in spite of this achieve ment suffers such disappointments and is error in doubting divine truth. The moral of the tale is sound, but the author indulges in too much moralizing and

The New Thought Simplified. The "new thought" as advocated by of our distinguished President. The heart and essence of the new thought can be most readily acquired by what is known as "going into the silence." The observance of seasons of quiet communion and aspiration, according to the author, gradually introduces super-sensuous expebecome subject to command. The new thought is keeping company with the Uni-

versal Spirit, conserving in one's personality the maximum amount of primal force. Mr. Wood has a good, clear style and is less given to cloudy generalization than most writers on this subject. He is evidently somewhat of a psychologist and a scientist, and one fitted to get all there is out of a subject of this kind. Mr. Wood lives in Boston, where this sort of thing is popular, and to those who are interested the "sympathy of life," "ideal sugges-"the political economy of human-etc., he may be commended. Lee &

A Master Hand.

Shepard, Boston.

This book, by Richard Dallas, a new surviving friends, partly by virtue of his partly because he was an assistant district attorney and has a professional interest in the matter, kept up the search and constituted himself a detective. Eventually his preseverance was rewarded by the discovery of the criminal. How the disclosure came about and what followed constitute the incidents and interest of the tale. It is not entirely a convincing story, but is fairly well told, and as stories of the detection of crime have a curious fascination for a large number of persons, this will doubtless find many readers. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New

The Master of Millions.

Dr. George C. Lorimer in this novel uncovers the pretenses and hypocrisies of nodern life in fashionable society, business and religion, all of which iniquities he has taken very much to heart. learned his facts by "arraying himself in clothes and penetrating Dorset street, London, the Doss houses and the East End in general under the guidance of a newspaper man." But the facts are not such as a preacher might be expected to dwell upon. Instead of pointing the way of life as it should be he lingers long and lovingly over what life is in its worst aspects. Towards the end of the book there are some dramatic and worthily interesting chapters, but the reader must spend a disagreeable hour before reaching anything worth while. There are some truly Scotch characters, of the Ayrshire type, whose "burr" lends typographical color to the realism of the story. Fleming H. Revell Company, Chicago.

Love, the Fiddler.

Lloyd Osbourne attracted attention at first through collaborating with Robert Louis Stevenson in the production of one of his novels. His independent ability is not of the Stevenson order. He does not have the inventive talent of Stevenson, nor the genius of creating atmosphere. In short, he is superficial. For that very reason he writes a good love story of the kind found in this book-a story devoid of tragic or dramatic qualities or the deeper emotional instincts, but comprehending well those conentional signs of emotion that characterize the common, everyday love affair. Included in this volume are several fairly clever and well-handled stories-"The Chief Engineer."
"Ffrenche's First," "The Golden Castaways," "The Awakening of George Raymond" and "The Mascot of Battery B." They are love stories, pure and simple, with social, not animal, psychology, and make an attractive entertainment for an idle hour. McClure, Phillips & Co., New York.

Monsigny.

This new novel, by Justus Miles Forso disciplined that he finally acknowledges half boiled down. The abridged version of the story as it appeared in the Smart Set was long enough, but Mr. Forman evi-There is really a more a doll than a woman. The concepstory to tell, however, and its incidents are | tion of the story is fantastic. Romance

to lordship and ladyship, is the theme, kind of story will go a long way. The work is not as good as that done formerly by Mr. Forman. The book is attractive typographically, but of no literary impor-Doubleday, Page & Co., New York.

The New Tokology.

The subtitle of this volume is "Mothe and Child Culture." Its authors are Eli Brown, M. D., and Joseph H. Green, M. D. The purpose of the book is to place in the hands of the young and ignorant such inas may be desirable, couched in pure language and embracing such knowledge as no man or woman should be without. It is in accord with the latest and best teachings relative to the most delicate subjects and the language, while sufficiently plain to be readily understood, is pure and scientific. It contains also a dictionary of medical terms. The instructions for the prevention and cure of disease are unexceptionable and illustrations have been made especially for the work by Dr. Ruth Blake, who is a specialist in that line. The volume will be of use to physicians as well as to the non-professional person. Laird & Lee, Chicago.

The Light That Failed. Doubleday, Page & Co. publish a new edition of Kipling's famous novel. It is published complete as Mr. Kipling finally gave the story to his publishers. The dramatic first edition, published in 1891. It is tragic tale at best, and, though critics differ as to its merits as a piece of literary work, it is written with dramatic force and has many of the characteristics that mark the author's writings at their best. It is a book not to be omitted by one who wishes to know Kipling. The book is illustrated with photographic half-tones from the play tale and the play vary.

deal with life in its social phases, howwho figure in the "Fables." Some of them are humorous, others not altogether so. nake something of a confusion of tongues The volume is one to entertain the weary in an idle hour. McClure, Phillips & Co. New York.

A Passage Perilous.

A strong-willed, self-reliant English gir s the heroine of Rosa Nouchette Carey's "Passage Perilous." After impulsively among her new relatives-in-law. time just before and during the Boer war, the atmosphere of an old-time novel and ne of the features of modern life, such as bicycles and young women reporters. Most of the romance comes toward the end, and the subplot is also a pretty love story. The J. B. Lippincott Company.

Johanna.

The principal characters in this novel by B. M. Croker are Irish people of the humenough to hold the attention and the characters, though somewhat sketchily drawn are true to life as far as they go. frequent use of dialect detracts from the merit of the book, especially as it is not made to serve any purpose, such as that of characterization. J. B. Lippincott Com-

The Edge of Things.

Elia W. Peattie's new novel of Western life on the sheep ranches is as piquant and faculty, too, of making the picture strikingy vivid with little description-a characof the well-trained short-story writer. Her story is worth reading, because it is well-told and because it portrays real life. The book is full of pithy things and contains some rather touching sentiment. Fleming H. Revell Company.

In Old Alabama.

Ten short stories and a collection vivid idea of negro life and character. The stories told by "Miss Mouse" are also good on the whole, merely as stories. The 'Plantation Songs' in the back of the book are not of value as verse; as throwing light on the negro character they are of considerable interest. Doubleday, Page

In Happy Hollow.

Max Adeler's latest book is a peculiar mixture of the humorous and pathetic, amusing facts. Henry T. Coates & Co.

The Gentleman from Jay.

Geo. W. Louttit's story of the farmer legislator is good enough reading if not taken too seriously. It is difficult to be come accustomed to the astonishing ignorance of the chief character, or to accept it without question. However, once having done so, one may read the book with a certain amount of pleasure. G. W. Dillingham Company.

For the Kindergarten.

From T. S. Denison & Co., publishers, Chicago, comes a little book entitled, "Twinkling Fingers and Swaying Figures." It contains a collection of new finger plays and motion exercises, all with songs, which the notes are given. They are prepared by Clara J. Denton and are intended for use in kindergarten and primary school use and for home amusement.

The Career Triumphant. Henry B. Boone has here produced a clever story which not only seeks to amuse, but also to depict a struggle between heart and mind. The heroine is ambitious and has a passion for the stage, which is in she loves. The idea is natural and it is convincingly presented. D. Appleton & Co. | Place and the People.

Flip's Islands of Providence.

This is a new juvenile by Annie Fellows Johnston, author of so many excellent stories for children. It has all the requirements-is clean, simple and inspiriting -and has also the advantage of being interesting without becoming too exciting or improbable. L. C. Page & Co.

Current Periodicals.

An article on "How We Bought the Great West," by the late Noah Brooks, to appear in the November Scribner's, tells how we acquired the vast region included in the Louisiana purchase, and of the interesting contemporary political reasons that influenced President Jefferson in undertaking so great a responsibility without any support or apparent means of meeting the great opligation involved.

Ainslee's for November has a very interesting table of contents. Some of the wellknown contributors are Baroness von Hutten, Nixon Waterman, Robert Hichens, Felix Carmen, Reginald Wright Kauffmann, Constance Smedley, Beatrice Hanscon, George Hibbard and Francis Prevost. little darker he chanced to open his eyes "The Guardian Angel" is the title of the novelette in Ainslee's for November. It is written by the Baroness von Hutten and is | light, and found water. a very interesting, dramatic story of mod-

opens with a novelette by Cyrus Townsend Brady, entitled "The Corner in Coffee," in set forth with sufficient skill to hold the among lords and ladies, who occasionally his very best, both as to form and subsender until the end in spite of the super- drop a French phrase to prove their right stance. The story has an absorbing plot,

at once ingenious and distinctive, while the The setting is in France. A little of this | characters are drawn wan vitalizing clearness. This is a narrative of love and business mingled, wherein Wall street appears as the battlefield of Cupid. There are a number of readable short stories and sketches in the number.

> The Century will publish during the coming year what seems likely to be pronounced a daring and unique piece of historical writing, "The Youth of Washington: Told in the Form of an Autobiography," by Weir Mitchell, LL. D., author of "Hugh Wynne." Dr. Mitchell imagines Washington sitting down at Mount Vernon in his old age and recording, solely for his own eye, the story of his "youthful life and the influences that affected it for good or ill. It is promised that the author has so fully entered into the habit of mind of Washington that it will be impossible for the reader to separate in the text the passages taken out of his actual writings from those which Dr. Mitchell imagines him to write.

One of the most noteworthy contributions to the current literature of the Panama canal negotiations is John George Leigh's "The Republic of Colombia and the Panama Canal," contained in the October number of the Engineering Magazine. The scope of the article is more fully set forth in its subtitle-"Industrial and Political Conditions in the Mainland States"-for Mr. Leigh has set forth in great detail though clearly and succinctly, those radical economic differences, both industrial and political, between the mainland states and the isthmus, which made the defeat of the canal treaty probable from the beginning. The article is illustrated with numerous entertaining and instructive photographs. Another notable article is Emile Guarini's "Electric Trolley Vehicles Without Rails, a description of traction systems adapted to lines of light traffic density.

Pearson's Magazine will shortly mence the publication of a most important set of papers in which are combined some and to that extent may be called the dra-matic edition, although the endings of the of the most thrilling phases of American history, and the inside facts bearing upon | this winter. The purpose of the leaders, the making of much of the history, under the general title, "Tom Nast, Cartoonist." Shortly before Mr. Nast's death he invited his friend, Mr. Albert Bigelow Paine, to spend a few weeks with him in his home, going over with him his old scrapbooks and memoranda in which were recorded the facts upon which his world-famous cartoons were built. Mr. Nast told his friend that he proposed to make him his literary but all show the author's keen powers of executor, and forthwith Mr. Paine comobservation and his thorough understand- menced work upon the memoirs of perhaps ing of human nature. Just why the book is the greatest molder of public opinion ever called "In Babel" is not clear, unless it be known. Pearson's will present the story to that the number of people in its pages its readers, fully illustrated with Nast's House and Senate leaders will have the sup- dustry and proposed alterations in the eight parts.

The November issue of Everybody's Magazine, already at hand, has a brilliant autumn cover, the design showing ears of corn in red and yellow. Its frontispiece is a striking portrait of William Travers timely theme John Alexander Dowie, whose crusade in New York city has just begun. It is written by I. K. Friedman, of Chi cago. "Reform that Reforms" tells what has been accomplished in New York city under Mayor Low's administration. cessful Men Who Are Not Rich," a paper worth reading in these days, when the dolachievements and public services of men who have other aims than the accumulation of wealth. Eugene Wood contributes an interesting article on "The Good Bac-"World-Old Handierafts" "Dramatists' Wives" are themes of other papers. Several good short stories and

The Ladies' Home Journal and Woman's published in New York. It contains some of the attractive features of those periodicals, with other equally valuable ones of pleasing. From the cover by Charles Hope Provost to the Thanksgiving announcement on the last page it is artistic, entertaining. The opening story by Mary Clarke Huntington is a romance of colonial days. N. Hud son Moore has an interesting study upor old china, beautifully illustrated from pho-"Dr. Kenzie's Discovery." onely boyhood and the miracle wrought by the sympathetic insight of a tender old Scotch physician. "Nature Studies with noticeable camera studies of autumn fruits and flowers. In the household department a paper on the making of artistic braided rugs will attract the attention of women readers. The World is published by S. H Moore & Co., 27 City Hall place, New York.

Among the Publishers.

The chief of the Bureau of Equipment has advised the Bobbs-Merrill Company that didant, navy yard, Brooklyn, to add "The Filigree Ball," by Anna Katharine Green, to the list for crews' libraries in the United States navy.

"A Narrative of Medicine in America" is the title of a large volume just issued by J B. Lippincott Company. The author is Dr. James G. Mumford, and he has developed his narrative by a series of stories of the lives and accomplishments of conspicuous American physicians of each era, arranged proper sequence. Aside from its biographical value the volume has large use-

fulness as a historical record. the colonel decidedly tiresome before the ble and accurate account of Western anihost was found dead with a dagger in his end of the book is reached. Like all cari- mals, among them the jack-rabbit, prongcatures, whether by artists or writers, the horn, prairie dog, gopher, buffalo and others with which the author, Miss Ruth A. Cook, formerly assistant in nature work, children's Museum, Brooklyn Institute of Arts

> and Sciences, is personally familiar. Messrs. Herbert S. Stone & Co. will publish this fall "A History of the World's Painters," by James William Pattison, which will have a special value for students and the large public that is interested in art. As a critic Mr. Pattison is distinctly up to date, and he brings his book down to the present time by taking up many contemporary artists and their ideas and ambi-

"Tamarack Farm, the Story of Rube Wolcott and His Gettysburg Girl," is a semibiographical story, which is said to have a delightful flavor of the country in its first part and to tell, in a most interesting manner, a good deal of the author's personal experiences in the war of the rebellion. This book is by George Scott, of Fort Edward, N. Y., its publishers the Grafton Press, of New York.

Sir Gilbert Parker's book on Quebec, soon to be issued from the Macmillan press, is said to be a revelation of the amount of stirring and bloody history that centers around that famous old city. Into it comes one of the most splendid tales of heroism in the world-the defense of the Long Sault by Adam Daulac and sixteen other Frenchmen against seven hundred Iroquois. Week after direct conflict with the wishes of the man | next the Macmillan Company will publish Mr. M. A. De Wolfe Howe's "Boston: The

> Some October publications of Doubleday, Page & Co. are: "How to Make a Flower Garden," "Stories of Inventors," by Russell Doubleday; "The Moth Book," by Dr. W. J. Holland, in the New Nature Library: a new edition of "Newest England." revised by the author, the late H. D. Lloyd; "American Masters of Sculpture," by Charles H. Cafin, uniform with the same author's "American Masters of Painting," and "The Tempest." in Prof. Mark H. Liddell's large Elizabethan edition of Shakspeare.

Lighthouse in the Arizona Desert.

A lighthouse has been established in the great Arizona desert. It is not a signal of danger, but of safety. Two years ago a couple of desert prospectors died of thirst within a short distance of the place where the lighthouse has been established. Had the light been there they would not have perished, for the light marks a well of water, the only water within thirty miles of

One life has already been saved by the establishment of the lighthouse, for an old German gave up the struggle with heat, sand and thirst and lay down to die. This was just at dusk. When it had become a and saw a light. It gave him courage. He arose, staggered on until he came to the

The lighthouse is simply a tall cottonwood pole with a lantern on the top. It is tended by Joseph Drew, who dwells in the little easis and ministers to the wants of travelers who pass that way. The light is visible a long distance across the plain in every direction in the nighttime.

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REPUBLICAN LEADERS PLANNING THE CONGRESSIONAL WORK.

Effort Will Be Made to Keep Expenditures Down to the Lowest Limit Compatible with Real Efficiency.

NO RIVER AND HARBOR BILL

THIS WILL ELIMINATE AN IMPOR-TANT ITEM OF COSTS.

mittee on Appropriations-Growing Use of Tropical Products.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 .- A determined

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

effort will be made by the Republican leaders to reduce expenditures to the minimum in the coming session of Congress. While no definite plan has yet been mapped out there is a tacit understanding that few bills carrying appropriation other than the routine supply measures shall be passed from all that can be learned here, is more determined now than on like occasions heretofore. It is customary for them to make a pronouncement shortly before the assembling of a Congress that the pruning and that retrenchment must be the watchit will be the policy of the party to keep down appropriations this year and that the has already been discussed between senators and representatives who are in a position to control expenditures, and it is their purpose to make it plain from the beginning that a policy of economy must prevail. This, in brief, is the intention of the potential leaders of the party in houses of Congress. Whether it can be put into practical effect remains to be seen. The average member is looking for appropriations for his district and they will be particularly useful at this time in view of the fact that the campaign will follow sional good things as their colleagues and when appropriations are allowed the minor ity gets its proportionate share. Representative Burton, chairman of the House conferred with President Roosevelt, After leaving the White House he expressed the opinion that a river and harbor bill would not be passed this winter, stating at the same time that the demand for such legislation is unusually strong. Other Reblicans who have talked with the President during the past week affirm that the policy of the administration is firmly against extravagance at the coming session.

It seems to be practically settled that Representative James A. Hemenway, of the First Indiana district, will succeed Joseph Harry Bingham, of Pennsylvania, the aspire to the chairmanship. It has been understood for some time the Indiana man was slated for the position. He is well qualified for it, having been associated with Mr. Cannon as the latter's first lieutenant for several years. Appropriations is regarded as the most important committee in House organization. It has business to do at all times, while ways and means, the chairman of which is usually selected as leader of the House, is important only when measures affecting the revenues under consideration. The selection of Mr. Hemenway as chairman of the committee undoubtedly will be approved by the Republican organization as a whole

The taste of the people of the United States for cacao and chocolate is apparently developing very rapidly. Figures just compiled by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its Bureau of Statistics, show that the importation of cacao has grown from 9,000,000 pounds in 1883 to 24,000,000 pounds in 1893, and 63,000,000 pounds in 1903. Cacao, as is well understood, is the product of the cacao tree, which grows wild in tropical America, and is also much cultivated there, and to some importations of cacao in this crude form has grown from \$1,000,000 in 1883 to \$4,000,000 in 1893, and nearly \$8,000,000 in 1903. Meanthe importation of manufactured cacao and chocolate has falled from 1.467 .pounds in 1897, valued at \$239,819, to 690,824 pounds in 1903, valued at \$144,823. Both cacao and coffee have grown rapidly in favor in the United States in recent years, as against tea, which showed no material increase. The coffee importations grew from 515,000,000 pounds in 1883 to 1,091,000,000 pounds in 1902, and 915,066,380 pounds in 1903; those of tea amounted to 73,000,000 pounds in 1883 and only 75,000,000 in 1902, but in 1903 were 108,000,000.

Other evidence of the growth and popularity of cacao and its product, chocolate. in the United States is in the fact that the number of cacao and chocolate manufacturing establishments reported in the census of 1880 was 7; in 1890, 11, and in 1900, 24; while the capital employed increased from \$530,500 in 1880 to \$6,890,732 in 1900. The value of material used in manufacturing grew from \$812,403 in 1880 to \$6,876,682 in 1900, and the value of the produce from \$1,302,153 in 1880 to \$9,666,192 in 1900.

Valuable advice on how to build up and increase American trade with foreign countries is contained in a report from Consul Kennedy, at Para, Brazil. He says that in striving to build up foreign trade the fact should not be lost sight of that the people must be addressed in their own tongue, and that not only correspondence but catalogues, pamphlets, circulars and all advertising literature should be printed in the language of those to whom it is addressed. Talk to the Russians in the Russian language and to the French in the French language. Never solicit foreign trade, says the consul, without literature printed in the native language of the people whose trade is desired. The American catalogue is usually an exquisite brochure but to be effective it must be understood Another error that American exporters fall into is their practice of lettering the bales and cases containing their goods in English. Foreign stevedores ignore warnings printed in English, and as a result many shipments of goods are ruined by

rough handling. Wallace H. Hills, chairman of the government board, who has just returned from St. Louis, is very much pleased with the lake the exposition authorities are making for the exhibit of the life-saving service in the center of the fair grounds. This is one of the most spectacular exhibits made by the government and always attracts a crowd. The lake will cover an area of 150 by 550 feet, with a depth of 9 feet. The exhibit will be on a much larger scale than was ever before attempted at any previous expositions, and it will be complete in every detail. The equipment is most modern, and all of the appliances used in the actual work of saving persons from drowning on the coast will in the exhibition. J. E. MONK.

Gilbert Islanders Repatriated. HONOLULU, Oct. 18.—The steamer Isleworth left for the Gilbert islands to-day with 200 Gilbert islanders, the last of sev-

eral thousand imported during the last twenty-four years for plantation labor. As borers they have proved unsatisfactory. Many of them are destitute. They have been trying to return home for a long time. The expense of chartering the Isle-worth is partly borne by private subscrip-

BODY VIEWED BY FEW,

Crowded by His Friends.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 18.-Members of religious

But Archbishop Kain's House Was

communities and those who had been close personal friends to-day viewed the body of the late Archbishop J. J. Kain at the archiepiscopal residence. Although no one was allowed to look on the bier but those two classes of persons, the halls and parlors of the residence were crowded all afternoon. Candles were kept burning constantly, but no religious services were conducted.
On the order of Archbishop Glennon, the bells of all Catholic churches in the city will be tolled from 5 to 7 o'clock to-morrow evening, and just at dusk the body of the deceased prelate will be conveyed to the old cathedral, where it will lie in state until the funeral on Wednesday morning. Archbishop Keane, who will preach the funeral sermon, and Cardinal Gibbons are

### NEW ORIENT COMMISSION

expected to arrive Tuesday afternoon

RUSSIAN BODY FORMED TO CON-SIDER FAR EASTERN MATTERS.

Trade Matters to Be Chiefly Under Its Supervision-Japan Is for Peace,

if with Honor.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18 .- A special commission, under the presidency of the knife will be used on all bills, especially | Czar, has been formed to consider affairs those relating to internal inprovements, in the far East. It includes the ministers of the interior, finance, foreign affairs, war word all along the line. It is learned that and navy, and Viceroy Alexieff. Other members will be nominated by the Czar. The commission will consider budget proposals, measures to develop trade and in-

YOKOHAMA, Oct. 18.-The Japanese ninister of war. Lieutenant General Terauchiki, denies the report that the army is desirous of war, and says the Cabinet is unanimous in wishing peace with honor. PARIS, Oct. 18 .- Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador to the United States, has been interviewed on the far East question. The ambassador said that the danger of a conflict, which was real a few days back, seemed to have been averted, and that if ever a conflict came it would not be provoked by Russia.

LONDON, Oct. 18.-In a dispatch from St. Petersburg the correspondent of the Daily Telegraph asserts that Count Lamsthe Russian foreign minister, is on the heels of adjournment next strongly in favor of an amicable settlement with Japan. The correspondent says also that Count Lamsdorff emphasizes the eagerness of the United Staets to profit by favorable opinion to insist on the fulfillment of Russia's pledges respecting ner or for a purpose not contemplated by

PLAN OF MEDIATION.

Sir Charles MacDonald Trying to Assure Oriental Peace.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 18.-A newspaper published at Port Dalny is authority Japan, Sir Claude MacDonald, has undertaken to mediate between Russia and Japan, and, having secured Japan's consent to certain proposals, is now nego-

tiating with Russia. These proposals are that Russia shall restore Manchuria to China, and that the principal Manchurian towns be opened to foreign trade; that Russia withdraw all her troops from Manchuria, with the exception of the railway guards; that she renounce her forestry concessions on both sides of the Yalu river, as well as the Yongampho concession, and that the whole country south of the Yalu be admitted as

belonging to the sphere of Japan.

Merely a Case of Thievery. PEKING, Oct. 18 .- The recent episode at the British legation in Peking, which has the legation magazine during a military ball, was in reality the robbery of certain ordnance stores, supposedly by Chinese servants, who carried the gun fittings and other portable articles away with them, but left the detonating apparatus outside the magazine, apparently finding difficulty in carrying it. All the stolen property has been recovered from junk shops, where it was sold by the thieves.

Wireless Telegraphy from Peking. PEKING, Oct. 18 .- The Marconi system of wireless telegraphy was inaugurated today between Peking and the coast. Several Chinese officials attended the sending of the first message.

Z. T. SWEENEY TO BE PRESIDENT OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

No Session Held Yesterday at Detroit-Many Pulpits Filled by the Vis-

iting Ministers.

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 18.-There were no meetings to-day of the missionary societies of the Christian Church, which is holding its annual missionary conference in this city. The only general meetings of the visiting church people were three communion services held this afternoon in the Woodward-avenue Baptist Church, the Woodward-avenue Congregational Church and the Central Methodist Church. All three churches were crowded and the administering of the sacrament, which is given each Sabbath among this denomination, was an inspiring and uplifting occasion. An address was made in each church before the

ordinace was observed. Ten Baptist, seven Congregational, fourteen Methodist, sixteen Presbyterian, two Christian, one Universalist and one Unitarian pulpit were occupied to-day by the visiting clergymen of the denomination.

To-morrow the American Christian Missionary Society, which held its first session last night, will give way to the Foreign hold morning, afternoon and evening sessions. Tuesday morning sessions of the American Christian Missionary Society will he resumed and will continue until Wednesday night. Z. T. Sweeney, of Columbus, Ind., it is said, will be elected president of this society to succeed A. B. Philputt. In his sermon at the North Woodward Congregational Church Dr. Herbert L. Willett, of the University of Chicago, and dean of the Disciples of Christ publishing house, severely criticised church members

and professing Christians for their ignor- right. ance of the Bible "Are our traditional teachings true do they need repair?" he asked. "Higher criticism has attempted to answer that question in the affirmative, but without substracting one iota from the grand and only book. It has, on the other hand, added to its value and shown its su-

"You feel guilty if you are asked if you have read some of the current authors and you must confess apologetically that you have not. Did it ever occur to you that you have read nothing or such an insignificant part of the book which you profess by being a Christian to be the light of your life and the guide for your effort? there are untruths in the Bible it is pretty near time that we should know them. The Bible should be submitted to literary crit-icism. But fortunately it can stand the

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come out without a blemish as the greatest of all books and yet you do not read it. "In England, in Scotland, in all the motherlands, cur forefathers read the Bible in the families. Those who do that in this country are considered old-fashioned. I should tremble if a census was taken of those who have read the Bible beyond the first book of Moses in patches, and a few things necessary to pass a grammar school examination. And those few passages are soon forgotten. Yet it is the book you

EXPLANATION OF A COMMON PRAC-TICE OF THE LAND OFFICE.

General Purpose of Cancellation of Entry Privileges Is to Prevent Fraud-Typical Cases.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.-Commissioner Richards, of the General Land Office, to-day gave out the following statement concerning the policy and practice of the Land

specting withdrawals of public land from entry under certain of the land laws, and suspension of final action of certain classes of entries already made. Generally speaking, land is withdrawn from entry in order to prevent it being appropriated in a man-

"In case of a proposed forest reserve, a withdrawal is made of all the land that probably will be included in its boundaries n order to guard against speculative en-

tries made for the purpose of obtaining lien "Withdrawals under the irrigation act are for the purpose of reserving by the act, and to prevent speculative entries. Land containing oil or minerals is withdrawn from agricultural entry, as mineral lands are sold in smaller quantities and at higher prices than farming lands. "Occasionally certain areas are with drawn from entry under the desert land act on evidence that the land is not arid land, alone can be taken under said act. 'Final action is often suspended on indiidual entries or a class of entries in cer-

nection nor any suspension of the law not pension of final action on entries made unler the timber and stone act in Washington, Oregon and California. This suspension was made on evidence of collug tries in those States whereby individuals and corporations were obtaining title to large areas of valuable timber land, where-

to whether or not there has been a compli

as the law provides that the entry shall be made for the exclusive use and benefit of "That this action did not hinder or interere with entries under the act is shown by the fact that, while there were 2,197 timber and stone entries in the States named during the calendar year ended June 30, 1902, there were 8.145 such entries made in those States during the fiscal year ended June 30. 1903, and of this latter number 3,544 entries were made after Jan. 1, 1903-while the order of suspension was in force-while put 2.197 such entries were made in the entire fiscal year 1902

"As fast as the entries in the States can be examined all of those which have been properly made are passed to patent, while the suspension continues as to the others, pending a hearing in the local land office. No cancellation is made on report of a spe-cial agent until a possible opportunity for a hearing has been afforded the entry

LEARNING BICYCLE TRICKS. Struggles and Falls That Are Painful

Philadelphia Record. The trick bicyclist, having fallen off his wheel for the eighth time, sat down to rest a while. He was learning a new trick, and his exertions, his struggles to keep his balance, and the falls that, despite him, ultimately ensued, were almost painful to see. "I lose six pounds," he said, "every trick I learn. I have to practice five hours a day, the same as a pianist. I bet there isn't a square inch of flesh on me anywhere that hasn't been bruised at least twice. "My profession is a disappointing one for this reason: The hardest feats in it are not appreciated by the public. Such feats are received in a cold, disapproving slience, while easy, showy feats, that can be learned in a

half hour, are received with a thunder of ap-"I have one feat that I was four months in the learning of. During those four months I fell off about 1,000,000 times, I broke my left wrist and I cut my head open. The feat is to ride around on the rear wheel and then to jump a two-foot hurdle. When I had mastered it I started on my bill, and the first night I did it I looked forward to a public all on fire with admiration. But I didn't get a hand. The trick was such a frost I had to drop it.

"And that is why the business is so disappointing. The things the people ought to like they don't like at all. The easy things they ought to hiss, why, they go wild over

The Genesis of the Tuxedo.

Philadelphia Press. "Shall I wear a dress coat or a Tuxedo?" wailed the Young Thing. "Now, look here," said the Experience One, "the rule is simple: When in doubt wear a dress-coat. Then you're sure to be right. The Tuxedo is permitted sometimes; the dress-coat is right always. "You see," he continued, "it was this way: When King Edward went first to Palestine-he was then, of course, Prince of Wales-he wanted an easy sort of a coat to wear with evening clothes and he divided a modification of the navy mess tacket. His suite took it up. Thence it filtered through the other classes in England and finally it crossed the herring That is the way we got it. But, is any place, after 6 p. m., a dress-coat's all

It Would Be Worth While,

New York Tribune. There are so many cases of suicide from the drinking of carbolic acid-an unusually agonizing and horrifying method of taking life-that the legislatures in our various States might well consider whether it is not advisable to confer upon Boards of Health or other local authorities enlarged powers for dealing with this evil. -Sales of carbolic acid in solutions of deadly stremath ought to be restricted more carefully.

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